

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

I/We declare that:

1. My/Our residence, post office address(es) and citizenship(s) are as stated below next to my/our name(s).
2. I/We am/are the original, first and sole/joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DECREASING BI-REACTIVE CONTAMINANTS IN AROMATIC STREAMS**, the specification of which was filed as U.S. Serial No. 09/017,777 on February 3, 1998.
3. I/We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.
4. I/We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a), including material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of any prior application identified in 5. below and the filing date of this application, with respect to any additional subject matter which is not disclosed in any prior application identified below.
5. I/We claim the benefit under 35 USC 120 of any United States application(s) listed below:
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